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# BONNEWIZ GARDENS

1940 PEONY CATALOGUE

ONE-EYE DIVISIONS
TWO-EYE DIVISIONS
THREE TO FIVE-EYE
DIVISIONS
ONE YEAR OLD PLANTS
TWO YEAR OLD PLANTS

VAN WERT, OHIO

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#### TERMS OF SALE - REMITTANCES:

Remittances should accompany all orders and may be made by Post Office Money Order, Bank Draft or by check. Do not send stamps.

#### SIZE OF ROOTS:

This year I offer one and two eye divisions, one and two year old plants and on some varieties three to five eye divisions.

All small divisions and small plants should be planted where they can be given water in September and October and again in April, May, and June.

#### **GUARANTEE:**

All varieties are guaranteed true to name. Should any varieties prove untrue to name, I will replace them with true stock.

#### BANK REFERENCES:

Peoples Savings Bank, Van Wert, Ohio.

#### PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Cultural directions will be mailed with the acknowledgment of the order. Another copy will be included in the package with the roots.

#### TIME OF SHIPMENTS:

I begin shipping my peony orders the first week in September. Customers may ask for shipment any week before November 15th.

# POSTAGE AND PACKING CHARGES:

In my September, 1939 leaflet I told my customers that postage charges would be made on all of the small roots which they purchased from me and in every package which left my garden after that circular was sent out, I placed one or more gratis roots. Apparently these gratis roots were so welcome that my customers did not object to the paying of the postal charges.

#### PARCEL POST

Here is the scale of parcel post prices on packages this year. The charges on one division of any size (or root of any size) will be 10c. The charges on two roots or divisions will be 12c, on three roots or divisions 14c, on four roots or divisions 16c, and one cent for each additional root or division.

These charges may appear too large in the first, second, and possibly third zones, but customers living farther away will probably notice that on some packages the charges were higher than the amounts noted here. We hope we will remember to place an additional division or two in each package to equalize postage and packing charges.

#### NO SUBSTITUTIONS:

Of some varieties, I have a limited number of roots. If I cannot supply any variety you order, I will return your money for that variety. I never make substitutions on any customer's order unless the customer asks that this be done.

# THE BONNEWITZ GARDENS

Aunt Mary's Sweet Corn Farm VAN WERT, OHIO

# Catalogue

My customers will find this new catalogue very different from any one which I have previously published.

In 1914, I accidently discovered that a small peony division with only one eye could be induced to make remarkable growth during its first year if I watered it regularly in the fall and also again during the months of April and May. As a result of this, during the past twenty years, I plant only single eye divisions in my own garden to produce the roots and divisions for future years.

Last year, 1939, my catalogue of three to five eye peony divisions produced fewer orders than I had hoped for and expected to receive. I came very nearly deciding to quit the peony game.

However, during the last week of September the thought came to me, "Why not try to sell to my customers the same kind of one eye divisions which I always plant in my own garden." I immediately got out a list of prices on one eye divisions and sent it to my customers. The response was so generous that the orders during October and November kept me so busy that I did not get to complete my own fall planting and I was compelled to place some of my roots in my basement and plant them the following April.

Consequently, this year, while I am listing some varieties in three to five eye divisions, I am placing my emphasis and enthusiasm on the sale of one and two eye divisions and on one and two year old plants.

I hope every one of my customers will make an experimental planting of some of my small divisions and one year plants for I am sure that the majority of them, if properly planted and watered this fall and next spring, will produce blooms the first year.

# Lingle Varieties

Scientists tell us that the first peony in this world was a single or simple one with only one row of petals and of only one color, white. These same scientists tell us that all of the beautiful single varieties, pink, white, and red; all of the Japanese varieties with one, two or more rows of white, pink, and red petals with their golden decorated central staminodes and petaloids; and also all the massive white, pink, and red double peonies in the world have decended from that very modest, medium size, white, single peony of centuries and possibly millenniums ago. Single varieties came first in history and so I place them first in this catalogue.

# BETTY LOU (Brand)

A medium tall single peony with a beautiful large light pink bloom which holds its color and form better than many other singles. It is beautiful even after it begins to lose its bright color.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$5.00

# BRIGHT KNIGHT (Glasscock)

Extra early single scarlet variety with tint of orange. It has a large bloom with tall stiff stems and is a strong grower. This is a hybrid variety being a cross between the early blooming European species and the later Chinese ones.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$5.00

#### DOROTHY ALLISON (Shaylor)

A pink single variety which is not found in very many catalogues. I have only a small stock of it.

1 eye division......\$1.00

#### FLANDERS FIELDS (Brand)

A bright red single peony with two rows of petals which have great substance and give it individuality.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$2.50

# HELEN (Thurlow)—9.0

This is probably the very best pink single peony in the world and in order that both its beauty and quality be perfectly appreciated it must be grown on clay soil. However, it is as large and often larger when grown on loam or sandy soil, but it lacks the extra high quality which is shown by the thickness of the petals when grown on clay. I recommend it without reservation.

1 eye division	2 eye division
1 for\$1.00	1 for\$1.25
2 for 1.75	2 for 2.25
3 for 2.25	3 for 3.00
4 for 2.50	4 for 3.50

#### IMPERIAL RED (Sass)

This variety was first introduced under the name Imperial Pink, but as it is not a true pink, the originator, Mr. Hans Sass, has allowed its name to be changed to Imperial Red. It has, I believe, the strongest stems of any single peony and I believe that its blooms are also of larger size. It is a perfect landscape variety.

1 eye division ....\$1.00 2 eye division ....\$1.50

#### JEWEL (Glasscock)

This is a large single red variety with tall stiff stems. It won a first class certificate at the Fort Wayne National Show. It is a hybrid variety having both Officinalis (European) and Chinensis (Chinese) parentage. It should bloom earlier than the Chinensis varieties.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$1.50

#### KRINKLED WHITE (Brand)

This white peony is somewhat of a novelty. It has a very beautiful small bud which expands into a large flower with great broad white petals which are crinkled like crepe paper. It has good landscape value.

# LEGIONAIRE (Glasscock)

This is the first successful hybrid peony grown by Mr. Glasscock and it is a single variety having a rich red color. It is of medium size and a strong grower.

# LE JOUR (Shaylor)

I have been growing this variety since 1914 and it is the largest white single variety with good quality petals I have ever seen. I recommend it.

1 eye division.....\$ .75

2 eye division.....\$1.00

# L'ETINCELANTE (Dessert)—8.4

This large, bright pink, cup shaped, single peony was introduced more than thirty years ago, but on account of its landscape quality it has maintained its place in growers' catalogues.

1 eye division.....\$ .50

2 eye division.....\$ .75

# LOUISE ANN (Brand)

This is a beautiful large deep red single peony with gold stamens. Its dwarf habit makes it an excellent variety for a low growing hedge.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$5.00

# MAN O'WAR (Brand)

This is one of the brightest red single peonies. Its color is almost scarlet. It has good stiff stems and the flowers are unusually large for a single peony.

# MARJORIE ALLISON (Shaylor)

A large single white variety. Medium tall with graceful upright stems.

1 eye division......\$1.50 2 eye division......\$2.00

# MINNIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

You will find this variety listed with my double peonies but to me it seems very ill at home among them. It has, I believe, usually three and sometimes four rows of petals, but its light breezy effect fits it perfectly among the single varieties. In selecting singles for your garden I would like you to consider this variety and Silvia Saunders as perfected single varieties. The petals open a beautiful pink in dark cloudy weather which, however, changes to even if the weather does remain cloudy. I hope that thousands of men and women get the same kind of joy which I do out of these beautiful peonies which are not too heavily loaded with petals.

1 eye di	vision	2 eye division			
1 for	\$1.00	1 for	\$1.25		
2 for	1.75	2 for	2.25		
3 for	2.25	3 for	3.00		
4 for	2.50	4 for	3.50		

## NELLIE (Kelway)—8.6

I imported this peony direct from Kelway over twenty years ago. It is of medium height with ex-cellent stems which carry attractive pink blooms.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

## OWATONNA (Brand)

A brilliant pink single with two rows of petals which hold their color for a longer time than many others. This variety has beauty, quality, and an excellent carriage.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$5.00

# PRIDE OF LANGPORT (Kelway)—8.9

This variety is, I believe, the best and sturdiest of the Kelway single pink peonies for use upon the landscape and for interior decoration. It has my recommendation.

1 eye division......\$ .75 2 eye division......\$1.00

# RED WARRIOR (Brand)

This is one of the best very early red single varieties and in some parts of the country will produce blooms for Memorial Day.

# SILVIA SAUNDERS (Saunders)

This variety is usually listed as a double. However, it gives me the same delight which I find in viewing the single blooms. It seems like a glorified single with its beautiful shell-pink petals arranged in a cup shape like a mammoth wild rose. I recommend it most highly.

1 year plants only.....\$2.50

#### SWAN WHITE (Good & Welch)

This new white single peony is of large size and instead of only one row of petals it has developed a second row. I believe that it is of superior quality to many of the older varieties.

1 eye division......\$2.50 2 eye division......\$3.00

#### WASECA (Brand)

A new red single variety the color of which may be described as a deep rich maroon. The great substance of its petals and its remarkable color attract the garden lover's attention.

#### ZULU WARRIOR (Glasscock)

This is one of the hybrid peonies, half European and half Chinese. It is a very large and early cup shape black-red variety, if you can imagine that combination, on tall stiff stems with large leaves on a strong growing plant.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$5.00

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# Japanese Varieties

In the history of the peony, since the creation of the first single or simple one, the appearance of the Japanese type shows the arrival at the half way period between that first small insignificant specimen and the modern Dorothy J. or A. B. Franklin of the 1940 Peony Show. The very small stamens of the single peony have grown in size and beauty until they have become the stately gold trimmed staminodes which give such regal appearance to Yellow King, Ama-No-Sode, Isani Gidui, and Tamate-Boku. At this half way position in my catalogue I place the list of Japanese varieties which first appeared at the half way period of the transformation of single peonies into the majestic double ones.

#### ALMA (Shaylor)—8.5

A pink variety with stiff stems. The flower has no value in the show room, but the dainty color and strong stems give it landscape value in the garden and in a border planting.

1 eye divi	sion	2 eye division			
1 for	\$ .50	1 for	r\$ .75		
2 for		2 for	r 1.10		
3 for	1.00	3 for	1.35		

#### ALTAR CANDLES (Pleas)—8.0

This variety has small cup shape, pink blooms with wax white petaloids tipped with red. You must draw on your imagination a great deal to see the Altar Candles.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division......\$ .75

# AMA-NO-SODE (Japan)—9.2

One of the best pink Japanese varieties I have ever seen. Good on the landscape, in the show room and for interior decoration. I like to suggest a mass planting of this variety. It has a fairly long blooming season.

1	eve di	vision	2 ev	e di	vision	
	1 for	\$1.00				\$1.25
		1.75	2	for		2.25
	3 for	2.25	3	for		3.00
	4 for	<b>2.50</b>				

#### AUREOLIN (Shaylor, 1917)—8.9

This medium size, late midseason, variety has pink guard petals and the centers of the blooms are composed of narrower bright canary yellow petaloids which are wider and deeper in color than the staminodes on nine tenths of the so called yellow varieties. Under different kinds of cultivation and on different soils this variety shows very interesting variations.

2 year plant......\$1.00

## DAINTY LASS (Glasscock)

This is another of Mr. Glasscock's hybrid peonies (one parent a European variety and the other a Chinese one). It is an extremely beautiful soft coral pink blooming Japanese form of which any peony enthusiast will be very proud.

# FUGI ZOMA GORONO (Japan)

A light pink variety of high quality which is growing in favor. I recommend its beauty and quality.

1 eye division......\$1.25 2 eye division......\$1.50

#### FUYAJO (Japan)—9.2

A few years ago this was considered the best red Japanese peony. However, it does not grow tall and the flowers are not held stiff enough on the stems for landscape use, but its strong color draws the visitor's attention.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division......

# GODDESS (Kelway)

This is probably the fourth or fifth best Japanese variety in my collection. The flowers are large, of splendid lilac-pink color and its strong tall stems and its reliability lead me to believe it has a long future to spend in American gardens.

# GOOD'S GEM (Good & Reese)

Good & Reese have placed two white Japs on the market. The other is Mrs. Ward Welch. Both of them are this year sold at a popular price and we will soon see them competing with Isani-Gidui.

1 eye division......\$2.00 2 eye division......\$2.50

#### HENRI POTIN (Doriat)—9.0

A pink landscape variety of great merit for informal gardens. It has a long blooming season. I am glad to recommend it. See extended description of it in my 1939 catalogue.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division......\$1.50

#### ISANI GIDUI (Japan)—9.3

This yellow and white Japanese peony is in my opinion the best in its class. It is good in the garden, in the home, and on the show table. It has been in my garden for twenty-four years and I give it my highest recommendation.

1	1 eye division			2 eye division			
	1 for	\$1.00	1	for		\$1.25	
	2 for	1.75	2	for		2.25	
	3 for	2.25	3	for		3.00	
	4 for	2.50	4	for		3.50	
	2 year	plant				2.00	

#### KATE BARRY (Nicholls, 1938)

This Japanese peony has a double row of soft mauve pink petals enclosing a center filled with orange staminodes. The carpels are yellow and pale green and the general effect of the combined colors is a glowing salmon pink. The stems are tall and strong and the plant is vigorous.

#### KING OF ENGLAND (Kelway)—8.6

This splendid red Japanese variety is very striking in mass planting and in the 1940 cloudy season its beauty was accentuated. It deserves high recommendation.

#### KINO-KIMO (Japan)—8.2

This red variety is not quite so good as King of England and it can be sold at a lower price.

1 eye division......\$ .50 2 eye division......\$ .75

# KNIGHT OF THE THISTLE (Kelway)

This was a very beautiful red variety as I saw it in Kelway's garden in England in 1922, but I have never seen it as beautiful in any American garden.

1 eye division......\$ .50 2 eye division......\$ .75

# KUKENI-JISHI (Japan)—9.5

The color of this peony is a very beautiful light pink, the quality of the bloom is excellent but unfortunately, it does not retain the color as well as Tamate-Boku and Ama-No-Sode. It apparently does not multiply rapidly, but please notice it has a very high rating and notice also a much lowered price.

#### MARGARET ATWOOD (Japan)—8.7

This beautiful white Japanese peony is not so tall as Isani Gidui but it closely approaches it in quality.

2 year plant ......\$1.00

#### MIKADO (Imported by Peterson)—8.6

This is the oldest Japanese peony in America. I saw it at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893, forty-seven years ago. It is red, but the color is not so distinctive as in King of England. It is the Japanese peony known to more Americans than any other variety.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

## MRS. WARD WELCH (Good & Reese)

This new variety gave me a very favorable surprise in its blooming season. Its large white flowers with yellow staminodes were very, very beautiful and I believe the plants carried more open flowers at one time than any other variety in the garden. I do not hesitate to recommend it as a most desirable variety.

#### NIPPON BEAUTY (Auten)

A deep rich red Japanese variety with some yellow on the edges of its central petaloids. It is a new variety in my garden and pleases me very much. Very few for sale.

1 year plant.....\$2.00

# NIPPON BRILLIANT (Auten)

There is more yellow in the red color of the petals on this Japanese peony than there is in the red petals of any other peony I have ever seen. I hope the originator, Mr. Auten, will be able to secure this same shade of red in a double peony with as good quality as Philippe Rivoire. I am very much delighted with this Japanese variety on account of its very peculiar, but attractive color. I am sure the demand for it will increase. Very few for sale.

#### NIPPON GOLD (Auten)

This pink Japanese peony is a splendid landscape variety, but it is not quite so tall as Tamate-Boku. The blooms, when opened indoors, show splendid yellow central petaloids. I am very much attracted by this variety and I am sure its sales will increase.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division......\$1.50

# NIPPON PARADE (Auten)

A deep rich red color with a bright and cheerful effect. All four of these Nippon varieties are improvements over former good selling varieties. Mr. Auten deserves the thanks of every member of the Peony Society and all lovers of fine peonies.

#### PETITE RENEE (Dessert)—7.6

This variety is an old one and it has all the good qualities of Henri Potin except that the color is lilac-rose instead of the color of a wild rose. It grows tall, blooms abundantly and multiplies very rapidly.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

SHAYLOR'S SUNBURST (Shaylor)

A white Japanese with yellow staminodes which are being transformed into very narrow petals. It is a vigorous variety which I wish to see planted near Isani Gidui. It may have a great future. Very few for sale.

2 eye division.....\$3.00 1 eye division.....\$2.50

SNOW WHEEL (Japan)—8.3
This is a white variety somewhat similar to Isani Gidui and you will notice it is much less expensive. Our 1940 stock is limited.

1 eve division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

SOME-GANOKO (Japan)—9.0

This is another very outstanding red Japanese variety with larger petals than those on many other varieties. Visitors always give a second look at the flowers on this variety because of their size.

year plant......\$1.00

SOSHI (Millet)—9.0

This Japanese variety has especially fine, heavy, deep green foliage in addition to the red blooms which it carries. Nearly all other varieties of peonies carry their blooms well above the foliage, but in this variety, when well grown, the flowers seem to nestle in the foliage.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

TAMATE-BOKU (Japan)—9.4

This large and beautiful pink and yellow variety was far, far the best Japanese variety exhibited in the Rochester National Peony Show this year and it was the only Japanese variety placed in the Court of Honor. Its history is the most remarkable of any peony in all our American peony catalogues. I was, I believe, the very first importer of this variety from France in 1916 at a price of only \$2.00. And now, after twenty-four years in commerce, it is not only the best Japanese variety but its increase in popularity, demand, and price is almost like a fairy story. I am sure that every peony enthusiast will look forward to the time when he will have a Tamate-Boku growing in the Court of Honor in his own garden.

TORO-NO-MAKI (Japan)—9.0

For many years I have told my customers that Isani Gidui is the very best white Japanese peony and I still am willing to be quoted on these words. However, Toro-No-Maki carries very, very large white blooms of exceptional substance, but instead branching out as a shrub or bush this variety sends its stems and its laterals upright. A blooming row of this variety gives the effect of a trimmed green hedge with a flat top which is completely covered with a layer of beautiful blooming flat white flowers. It is particularly adapted for formal gardens where blooms of the same size all blooming at the same height and at the same time are desired.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00 1 year plant...... 3.00

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# YELLOW KING (Japan)

While this splendid variety has pink guards, yet it has the best yellow central petals of any variety and the yellow takes prominence over the pink. The growing buds should be covered with thick paper bags until they begin to expand rapidly, at which time the buds should be taken indoors and the bags removed. A display of fifty or a hundred of these yellow blooms brings exclamations of surprise from all beholders. This is one variety which should be grown in quantity and all the flowers should be taken indoors for all their yellow beauty is lost in the open garden.

# Double Varieties

The majority of the space in that great 1940 Peony Show was filled with tables on which were displayed more magnificent double peonies than anyone ever saw in any one place and at one time in the history of the peony. I hope and believe that I have here the greatest list of the best peonies that has ever been published and so I am giving the greatest space in this catalogue to a description of those double varieties, many of which appeared in all their beauty and glory at that National Show so recently held in Rochester, Minnesota.

# A. B. C. NICHOLLS (Nicholls)

A very large rose shape white bloom with an inner glow of orange. The petals are wide and it uniformly opens well, even on young plants. Strong and lasting substance. It is a flower of great refinement. Vigorous and thrifty grower of good habit. Strong stems.

#### A. B. FRANKLIN (Franklin)

Mr. Franklin is more fortunate than several other peony growers who have given their names to peonies of their own origination. This one is a large, white variety, full double, opening a beautiful blush-pink and eventually changing to pure white. It was selected at the Rochester National Peony Show as the most distinguished exhibit for which it won the Boyd Memorial Prize and was, I believe, the very first of the eight varieties placed in the Court of Honor. a distinction which came to only seven other varieties this year.

1 eye division.....\$4.00 2 eye division.....\$5.00 3 to 5 eye division......\$10.00

# ADOLPHE ROUSSEAU (Dessert & Mechin, 1890)

8.5.

Very dark red and of very good quality. An old, but very valuable peony with stiff stems for the land-scape.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.... \$ .75

#### A. G. PERRY (Brand)

Here is a variety which is entirely new in my garden. A rich old ivory, tinted delicate rose-pink, with zones of deeper pink radiating from the center of the flower to the edge of the petals. Early midseason, upright habit, medium tall, strong stems, and clean foliage.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$5.00

ALICE HARDING (Lemoine)—9.5
An extremely large cream white full double rose shape variety with very strong stems. The only variety which ever sold at \$200.00 per root. Excellent for cut flowers and for landscape. It has my highest recommendation.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

2 year plant......**3.00** 

#### ALLURE (Neeley)

The blooms of this peony are white with a yellow sheen at their centers and loosely built so that they are well carried on the stems for landscape use.

1 eye division......\$2.00 2 eye division.....\$2.50

#### ANNA SASS (Sass)

Late midseason. Very beautiful delicate light pink with an orchid overtone. Profuse bloomer on tall strong stems.

1 eye division......\$ .75 2 eye division......\$1.00

#### ANNE NIELSON (Good & Reese)

A double peony of a beautiful light shade of pink. It grows erect and blooms in early midseason and has stems sufficiently strong to hold up its large flowers.

1 eye division.....\$2.00 2 eye division.....\$2.50

#### A. P. SAUNDERS (Thurlow)—8.6

Very pale pink double peony. The color at the center is lighter. The guards are large and occasionally marked with crimson. Its color in extremely bright weather fades to white. Splendid quality petals.

eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# AUGUSTE DESSERT (Dessert)—8.7

I saw this variety the first time I visited Mr. Dessert in his own garden in France. It has splendid stems and loose flowers of shades of red, rose, and pink. It is a perfect landscape variety and I give it my highest recommendation. Mr. Dessert told me that even though his Therese had a higher rating, yet he admired this variety more than any other.

# BALL O'COTTON (Franklin)—8.8

Large. White. Double. Late midseason. At its opening, this variety has the appearance of a snow ball or ball of white cotton. As a fully opened flower it loses its ball shape, but grows in both size and beauty.

1 eye division.....\$.50 2 eye division.....\$.75

# BARONESS SCHROEDER (Kelway)—9.0

A splendid white double peony with a long blooming season. On cloudy mornings it opens from the bud a very delicate pink color. A very excellent cut flower for interior decoration.

1 eye division		2 eye divis	sion
1 for	\$ .50	1 for	.75
2 for		2 for	<b>1.10</b>
3 for	1.00	3 for	<b>1.3</b> 5

# BETTY BLOSSOM (Thurlow)

A globular flower with white guard petals, faintly tinted yellow and sometimes flecked crimson on the back. The center white petals are intermingled with narrow petals heavily edged with gold. The general color effect is soft yellow. Late midseason.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$3.00

# BLACK MONARCH (Glasscock)

This is one of Mr. Glasscock's hybrid peonies with both European and Chinese parentage. Early, rose form double variety of medium to large size with a brilliant dark red color, even darker than M. Martin Cahuzac. Medium tall strong stems.

2 to 5 eye divisions only......\$15.00

# BLANCHE KING (Brand)

A rich pink, full double peony which holds its color in all kinds of weather. Blooms late in the season.

1 eye division.....\$2.50 2 eye division.....\$3.00

3 to 5 eye division...... 5.00

#### CAPTAIN KIDD (Auten)

Dark red semi-double, rich with purple. Large blooms on tall stems. Color holds except in extreme heat.

1 eye division.....\$2.50 2 eye division.....\$3.00

#### CHARLES VERDIER (Calot)

A tall deep rose-pink double peony blooming in clusters. If one or two of the lateral buds on each stem are plucked off before the blooming season, the plant will make a good show in the garden.

# CHERRY HILL (Thurlow)—8.6

This is an early blooming, red, double peony whose petals are built loosely together and which is consequently able to stand rather severe rain storms. Some years it blooms earlier even than Richard Carvel and it consequently has value as a cut flower for Memorial Day.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### CHERRY RED (Glasscock)

This variety is a hybrid (European X Chinese). It is a rose form double with a pure red color, of large size on medium dwarf plants. It is not so early as some of the other hybrids.

2 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$10.00

# DARLING O'MINE (Good & Reese)

A medium tall, light pink, double peony with large petals, the outer ones of which fade nearly white while the inner petals retain their beautiful pink color. Somewhat similar to the new variety Hans P. Sass. This variety has landscape value on account of its good stems. It is also a splendid variety for use in the home.

1 eye division.....\$2.00 2 eye division.....\$2.50

#### DAVID HARUM (Brand)—8.4

This is a very bright rose variety with strong stems and is a splendid garden and landscape flower. It was greatly admired this year in my garden.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# DR. J. H. NEELEY (Good & Reese)

The beautiful buds open first as a faint blush pink but soon become pure white. The flowers are large with broad guard petals and the central petals form a cup-shaped center. Long stems. Pleasing fragrance.

# EDITH M. SNOOK (Snook)

My two favorite peony authorities are Harry F. Little of Camillus, New York, and George W. Peyton of Rapidan, Virginia. Mr. Peyton is so very enthusiastic about this new peony, Edith M. Snook, that he has written to Judge Snook who originated the variety, to Roy Burke of Paulding, Ohio, from whom he received a division of it, and to me, telling each of us the wonderful performance of Edith M. Snook in his Virginia garden. As I have more faith in his judgment on a good peony than I have even in my own, I am here telling you Mr. Peyton's report on it.

"My plant of the variety Edith M. Snook sent up four 42 inch stems and each of them produced a perfect milk-white flower with an entirely new form which I have found in no other peony. The guard petals are long and grow horizontally from the stems, making a perfectly flat base for the mass of central petals which form a compact half sphere above them. The central petals are all of the rather narrow twisted form found in the collars of typical crown type peonies. These central petals make so compact a bloom that no carpels are visible, but there is a glint of green from the base of the petals and a tint of yellow from some invisible stamens." I am sure my readers will be able to visualize this fine new form peony from Mr. Peyton's description.

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# EDULIS SUPERBA (Lemon)

This genuine pink peony and its sister variety, Umbellata Rosea (lighter color), are the two most reliable peonies in my garden for bringing profitable returns from their blooms. On May 30th they are usually in their prime and owing to the great demand for peonies on that particular date a price of 50c per dozen retail and 30c per dozen wholesale are much easier to procure than are lower prices on much higher rated peonies blooming later in the season. Suburban dwellers and farmers living on main highways near cities of even moderate size can usually dispose of all their blooms at these profit-

able prices if they allow the traveling public to know that the blooms are for sale. Notice the extra low prices for quantities of these two varieties.

1	eye division	`	2 eye division	
	1 for	30	1 for	\$ .40
	2 for	.55	2 for	
	3 for	.70	3 for	1.00
	4 for	.85	4 for	1.25
	5 for	1.00	5 for	1 50

#### E. G. HILL (Lemoine)—7.8

A deep rose double peony with excellent stems. It is a superb landscape variety, but care should be taken to plant it among white varieties instead of among the delicate pink ones.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### ELLA CHRISTIANSEN (Brand)—9.0

This is one of the tallest, largest, and best of the Brand pink peonies. The quality of the petals is excellent. It blooms in midseason and has high value as a show flower.

1	eye	divis	sion	\$1.00	2	eye	division	\$1.50
3	to 5	eye	divi	sion				

#### ELSA SASS (Sass)

This is a very beautiful cup-shape white peony with unusually good quality petals. It supports its flowers gracefully and has an excellent blooming record.

2 year plant......\$4.00 Only a Few Plants for Sale.

# ELWOOD PLEAS (Pleas)-8.7

A splendid, midseason, large, flat, pink bloom which holds its color better than many others. As a land-scape variety some buds must be removed. Extra good petals. Long blooming period.

1 eye division......\$ .35 2 eye division......\$ .50

#### ENCHANTRESS (Lemoine)—8.9

A very late, large, tall, white peony which ranks with the best in the quality of its bloom. Few peony shows are held late enough for its blooming time and consequently is not so widely known as Le Cygne or Jubilee.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division....\$ .75

# **ETTA** (Terry)—8.0

This very late blooming variety holds its pink color and furnishes bloom at the same time as Grandiflora whose color is not quite so deep. I believe the stems on Etta are as a rule stronger than those on Grandiflora, giving it more landscape value.

1 eye division.....\$ .30 2 eye division.....\$ .40

#### EUGENE VERDIER (Calot)—8.3

I have grown this peony for over twenty years and I have never seen it destroyed by rough and stormy weather. The blooms are light pink which hold their color, but to get its best effect as a garden flower the first blooms must be cut as they begin to fade. No other peony has stronger stems.

1	eye di	vision		2 e	ye d	ivision	
	1 for .	\$	.30	1	for		3 .40
	2 for .		.55	2	for		.75
	3 for.		.70	3	for		1.00

#### EUGENIE VERDIER (Calot)

A large pink variety on graceful stems. Extra good for interior decoration.

1 eye division.....\$ .30 2 eye division.....\$ .40

#### EUNICE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

This very light pink double peony has strong stems and blooms in clusters and it seems to have the habit of having all or nearly all of its blooms open at the same time. In order to preserve its landscape usefulness it is wise to keep some of the surplus weight trimmed from the stalk. It finishes as a white flower.

1	eye division		2 eye division
	1 for\$	.30	1 for\$ .40
	2 for	.55	2 for
	3 for	.70	3 for 1.00

#### **EXQUISITE** (Kelway)

This beautiful pink peony has very graceful stems. It blooms prolifically early in the season and is good both in the garden and in the show room.

1 eye division.....\$ .35 2 eye division.....\$ .50

#### FLORENCE MACBETH (Sass)

Late. Very large flowers of dainty shell pink on strong stems. This variety opens best in a cool season; then the blooms are truly magnificent.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

## FLORENCE NICHOLLS (Nicholls, 1938)

This large double variety is rose shape and blush white in color with a pink glow at its center. There is an intermingling of narrow cream petals and wide blush petals. It is of medium height with good strong stems. Vigorous, floriferous, and fragrant.

## FRANCES SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.6

A white double peony with a splendid broad row of yellow stamens on its face.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### FRANCES WILLARD (Brand)—8.6

One of the best known and most perfect blush white double peonies. It has excellent stems which support the bloom except during the most excessive rainfalls. It is growing in popularity.

1 eye division......\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# FRANK E. GOOD (Good & Welch)

It opens a most delicate shade of pink. Shows pink and yellow tone at the center of the flower which consists of very, very narrow petals. Splendid carriage. Flower medium size and not very heavy. Excellent for landscape.

1	eye d	livision	\$1.00	. 2	eye	division	\$1.50
1	year	plant					2.00

#### FRANKIE CURTIS (Vories)—9.3

A cream white double peony somewhat similar in form to M. Jules Elie. Its inner petals have some carmine markings similar to Festiva Maxima. Splendid stems.

1	eye division	\$1.00	<b>2</b> e	ye	division	\$1.50
1	year plant				•••••••	2.50

# GARDEN PRINCESS (Neeley)

An ivory and pink variety. Flat full flowers on strong stems. Blooms in midseason. One of the very best Neeley varieties.

1 year plant......\$2.50

# GEORGE W. PEYTON (Nicholls)

This is a large double rose-shaped peony with wide petals of splendid substance. The color is a very pale buff with a persistent suffusion of pink darker at the center. It has a trifle more pink than Solange which it very much resembles. It blooms in midseason, is vigorous, floriferous, of medium height with strong stems.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$15.00

# GEORGIANA SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

This was the first peony originated by Mr. Shaylor. It is a large light rose-pink variety with excellent quality. It has some landscape value and is excellent for cut flowers.

1 eye division.....\$ .35 2 eye division.....\$ .50

#### GLORIANA (Neeley)

A very large pink double bloom with slightly deeper color than Therese. Some seasons this variety needs support, but it is always splendid for interior decoration and has show value.

1 eye division......\$. 75 2 eye division......\$1.00

# HANSINA BRAND (Brand)—9.1

This is probably the most famous peony originated by Mr. Brand. It has won first class prizes several times at our National Peony Shows. Its color is much affected by the amount of light or cloud on its day of exhibition. Sometimes it carries a beautiful corn color and at other times there is no evidence of this shade in its beautiful white bloom. I consider it a very valuable peony even though its stems are not always strong enough to carry the great weight of the bloom.

1 year plant.....\$3.00

#### HARRY F. LITTLE (Nicholls)

This white double variety has just enough pink tone to give it individuality. It is of rose shape with wide petals. The large fragrant blooms are carried on strong stems. It was awarded the American Peony Society Gold Medal and also the American Home Achievement Medal in 1933.

#### HARRY L. BURDEN (Neeley)

This very light pink bloom shows some stamens. The petals are so loosely arranged that rain and wind do not destroy its beauty as easily as more closely formed flowers. The blooms change to white and a row of these in company with a row of Myrtle Gentry formed a beautiful sight in my garden. It is still a novelty.

1 eye division.....\$2.00 2 eye division.....\$2.50

# HAZEL KINNEY (Brand)—9.0

A very delicate pink peony which fades entirely white. Its quality and beauty are great enough to entitle it to a place in any peony show, but its

stems are not strong enough to give it great landscape value.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

1 year plant...... 2.00

#### HEART'S IDOL (Neeley)

This Neeley seedling is semi-dwarf and it opens blush pink and finishes pure white. It is a very full double variety and shows no stamens. I am offering it in small divisions, but I cannot furnish many of them this year.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

# HELEN HUGHES (Snook)

I have given my own description of peony Judge Snook, I have given you George W. Peyton's description of Edith M. Snook, and now I am going to give you Judge Snook's own description of his

variety Helen Hughes.

"This peony is above average size with broad petals of high quality. It is of true rose shape, it blooms in midseason and it opens first in a cup-shape form of deep shell pink. As it gradually grows into its full rose form it develops into a lavender pink. Its heavy broad petals, its good strong stems and perfect foliage make it a splendid landscape variety. When it is placed in a vase and brought into a living room, you can detect in it an opalescence which characterizes many of our best peonies." After finishing the above description, Judge Snook told me that he personally admired this variety more than any other he had ever seen.

1 eye division......\$3.00 2 eye division......\$5.00

# HERMIONE (Sass)

A tall double bloom of splendid silvery pink. Flower of good size. Few laterals. No stamens at the center. Medium late. May prove to be an excellent landscape variety.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division......\$1.25

#### INSPECTEUR LAVERGNE (Doriat)—8.5

A very tall, bright red variety which blooms very early with its main blooms, but whose laterals provide good garden color until the late season begins.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

year plant..... 1.50

# JAMES KELWAY (Kelway)—8.7

I am told that the famous Kelway Gardens in Langport, England, are no longer in existence, but James Kelway, the first and greatest member of the family will long be remembered because of the excellent, white, early, rose-shaped, fragrant peony which bears his name. I am glad to recommend it.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# 1 year plant...... 1.00

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# JAMES R. MANN (Thurlow)-8.7

This is one of the very excellent pink double peonies placed on the market by the Thurlow brothers at the same time they gave us President Wilson. James R. Mann produces a pink bloom of medium size but excellent quality and in my garden has been more vigorous than any other of the Thurlow introductions. I recommend it for color, quality, and landscape value.

#### JEAN COOPERMAN (Brand)

An early midseason, even-toned, soft crimson-red coming into bloom a few days after Richard Carvel. The flower is of good size and pleasant fragrance. It is semi-rose in form, made up mostly of large petals nicely arranged. An annual and profuse bloomer. A fine show flower and, probably a coming red for the commercial cut flower trade.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$5.00

# JEANNOT (Dessert)—9.2

A late blooming, pink peony of loose formation, which holds the color admirably and which is able to go through rain and wind storms without having its landscape value completely destroyed. Its cut bloom compares with that of President Wilson and Edwin C. Shaw in quality and color, and it is probably not only one of Mr. Dessert's best peonies, but also one of the best late pink peonies in the world.

# JOHN L. CRENSHAW (Brand)

A bright crimson red different from both Longfellow and Mary Brand. It opens somewhat like a rose and the outer petals are large and broad. It is of medium height with strong erect stems and attractive narrow dark green foliage. It is still very scarce.

#### JOHN M. GOOD (Good & Welch)—9.3

This variety produces very large, beautiful white flowers on strong stems which are of only medium length. Its carriage gives it excellent landscape value and the quality of the bloom is so great that it has prize winning possibilities in any peony show.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

#### JUBILEE (Pleas)—8.9

This is one of the largest, most beautiful, white peonies ever grown. Its long irregular petals give it somewhat of a lacy appearance and it is excellent for use in vases and has often been a winner of first prizes in peony shows. It responds to liquid fertilizers better than any other variety on which I have experimented. However, its stems are so weak that it must have support. At the annual Van Wert Peony Festivals a Queen Jubilee is crowned every

1 eye division		2 eye divisi	on
1 for	.\$ .50	1 for	\$ .75
2 for	.75	2 for	1.10
3 for	. 1.00	3 for	1.35
6 for	. 1.75	6 for	2.50
12 for	3.00	12 for	4.50

# JUDGE SNOOK (Good & Reese)

This very large cream white peony has broad petals of excellent substance borne on good stems. Its color and richness of quality have some similarity to Solange, but its habit, growth, and carriage are superior to that famous variety. I am indeed glad I can offer it in small divisions.

# KARL ROSENFIELD (Rosenfield)—8.8

This splendid red peony has all the qualifications of a satisfactory variety for cut blooms and can be relied upon as a good keeper. Its stems are strong, it has garden value, and it is a vigorous grower.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### KATHARINE HAVEMEYER (Thurlow)—9.0

This large, double, light rose-pink peony blooms in midseason. It is considered one of the very, very good Thurlow varieties on account of its beautiful color and rosebud center. It has strong stems, good foliage, and deserves its high rating.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

## KELWAY'S GLORIOUS (Kelway)—9.8

I saw this full double white variety on my first trip to the National Peony Show in New York in 1916, and it has been producing excellent bloom in my garden every year since 1918. Its blooms withstand rain and storm much better than 90% of other varieties. Notice its very high rating which I believe it deserves every year.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

# KELWAY'S QUEEN (Kelway)—8.8

This very old favorite pink variety has fragrance and a charm which it is hard to describe. Its popularity has survived many varieties much higher in price.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

#### LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF (Kelway)—9.1

This variety has tall strong stems and carries its large blooms excellently in the garden. The petals fade until they are only blush pink, but before they drop from the stems these flowers are surrounded by the fresh opening deep pink buds on the laterals and for a few days the effect is very, very beautiful. This variety was the first one ever sold at \$25.00. The story of "The Long Lost Peony" was written about this variety.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### LA LORRAINE (Lemoine)—8.6

This is a pure white variety and is most beautiful just before its last inner petals have opened into the bloom. The petals have good substance and size and the open flower plainly shows its extra high quality.

#### LAST ROSE (Sass)

This is a tall, stately, very late blooming, bright pink variety which has opened unusually well for a

late variety. I have not often seen it in our peony shows, but it has both quality and beauty.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.50

#### LAURA DESSERT (Dessert)—8.8

Although this is known as a yellow peony, yet unless its owner cuts the unopened buds and brings them indoors he will not find a particle of yellow in the bloom because the sun absorbs all the yellow very quickly after the petals are opened. It is almost exactly like the variety Primevere which was originated by Mr. Lemoine. Very few experts can select a bloom of one variety if it is placed among a dozen blooms of the other. I regard Laura Dessert as having slightly better stems. Do not neglect to place bags over the buds and then take the flowers indoors before the bags are removed.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

#### LE CYGNE (Lemoine)—9.9

This very large, very beautiful white peony has the highest rating of any variety in the world. When it is perfectly grown it is as beautiful as the best Jubilee I have ever seen. Every peony lover wants it and every peony lover should have it.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

1 year plant.....\$2.00

## LIBERTY BELL (Neeley)

The stems of this splendid double variety carry the large pink blooms perfectly. The petals have much more than ordinary substance and the flowers at certain stages have a rather remarkable depth. Each blooming season it has grown in my favor.

#### LILLIAN GUMM (Gumm)—8.9

The Peony Manual published by the American Peony Society contains a beautiful color picture of this variety opposite page 65. It is the best of the varieties originated by Mr. Gumm which I have yet seen. Its color is a deep even rose pink and it is a full double peony of the rose type.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

#### LOUIS JOLIET (Auten)

Very brilliant dark red semi-double, medium sized bloom, midseason. Color is very rich. A free bloomer.

2 year plant.....\$2.00

# MABEL L. FRANKLIN (Franklin)—9.0

This very attractive double peony has a brilliant rose pink color. It is very large, it blooms in midseason and the stems are long and graceful. Its landscape effect in my garden was excellent.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### MADAME EMILE DEBATENE (Doriat)

A medium large double peony with a very pleasing shade of pink. It has a good stem and has land-scape value.

3 to 5 eye divisions only \$2.50

# MADAME JULES DESSERT (Dessert)—9.4

A late midseason variety bearing cream white blooms of excellent quality on fairly strong stems. The decorative value of the flower is probably more outstanding than its landscape value, but with some pruning of the laterals it will show up well in the garden.

year plant......\$1.00

# MADONNA (Neeley)

A loosely built cream white double flower which sheds the rain easily. It has landscape value and garden visitors have been pleased with its beauty. I am glad I can now offer this variety in one eye divisions and two year plants.

2 year plant.....\$3.50 1 eye division.....\$2.00

# MAMAN MILLET (Millet)

This early pink peony should be planted in the cutting garden for it has extremely long stems which 

#### MARIE CROUSSE (Crousse)—8.9

A very dainty peach blossom pink peony with slender stems and graceful carriage. Excellent for cut flowers, but Tourangelle with slightly stronger color is superior to it on the landscape.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# MARIE JACQUIN (Verdier)—8.3

Perfect landscape variety. Opens very delicate pink, fades white. On a visit to Duluth, Minnesota, a few years ago during the blooming season, this variety was adjudged the largest, best, and finest variety in that city's gardens.

2 eye division.....\$ .75 1 eye division......\$ .50

#### MARIETTA SISSON (Sass)

This beautiful large pink very early blooming peony has a splendid stem and stands erect. It is a very beautiful cut flower variety and its strong stems give it splendid landscape value. I do not believe this variety has ever received the recognition it deserves. I am glad indeed to express my approval of it.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division......\$1.25 1 year plant..... ..... 2**.0**0

#### MARTHA BULLOCH (Brand)—9.1

This is a very, very large pink double peony which is very much sought after. Its color and size are excellent, but unless some of the side buds are removed the stems will not be strong enough to carry all the extra weight. This variety was placed in the Court of Honor at the Rochester Peony Show because it was judged the best flower in the show. I am glad indeed that I can furnish it in small divisions.

2 eye division......\$1.25 1 eye division......**\$1.00** 

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# MARVEL (Secor)—9.0

An excellent medium pink bloom on strong stems which have few laterals. The plant is erect, the color beautiful and this variety has value for winning prizes and for decorating a landscape.

# MARY BRAND (Brand)—8.7

One of the purest red varieties nearly equal to Longfellow in color. The laterals bloom with the main buds. It is a vigorous variety and a good seller.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# MARY W. SHAYLOR (Shaylor)-9.0

I purchased this variety twenty-five years ago when the price was forty dollars per root. The color is very light pink fading almost white. The stems are strong and it has a semi-dwarf habit and the flowers are carried well, making it a good garden variety.

# MATCHLESS BEAUTY (Neeley)

Next to Mrs. J. H. Neeley this variety is considered by some of our Northwestern Ohio peony enthusiasts to be the best Neeley variety. A cream white double peony with good quality petals and good stems. It has landscape value and the blooms are excellent for indoor decoration.

1 eye division.....\$1.50 1 year plant.....\$3.00

#### MIGNON (Lemoine)—8.7

This is one of the slowest growing Lemoine varieties. It blooms in midseason. Its color is pink shading into white. The blooms are large and are held by stiff stems giving it garden value. The blooms on five year and older plants are much superior to the blooms on younger plants. This variety is evidently somewhat scarce in the American market.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

#### MILTON HILL (Richardson)

The very light shell pink blooms on this fifty year old variety were very outstanding at the 1940 National Peony Show. Some observers believed this variety good enough for the Court of Honor.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### MINNIE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—8.9

A splendid pink variety with usually only three, four, or five rows of petals. The sun soon changes its color to white, but it is still very beautiful. I regard it as one of the highest quality peonies in the world, especially when planted in clay soil. On account of the limited number of rows of petals, this variety has some of the charm of single varieties and on that account I also list is among the single varieties.

1 eye divis	sion	2 eye divisio	on
1 for	\$1.00	1 for	\$1.25
2 for	1.75	2 for	2.25
3 for	2.25	3 for	3.00
4 for	<b> 2.50</b>	4 for	<b>3.50</b>

#### M. JULES ELIE (Crousse)—9.2

silvery, lilac-pink, bomb-shaped peony which blooms early in the season. One of the largest and best peonies in the world. Even though the stems cannot carry the blooms erect it is still wanted by every peony enthusiast.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

## M. MARTIN CAHUZAC (Dessert)—8.8

This is an early midseason variety with a darker red color than any other variety. Sometimes called the black peony.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### MRS. A. M. BRAND (Brand)—9.6

You must notice the extremely high rating on this magnificent pure white variety. It has long stems and sometimes needs support, but it is nevertheless in the prize winning class.

2 year plant......\$2.50

#### MRS. A. S. GOWEN (Brand)

A very large midseason semi-rose red variety. The large petals are arranged in a manner which gives this variety an outstanding, excellent form.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......**\$10.00** 

# MRS. BRYCE FONTAINE (Brand)

A rich dark crimson blooming in midseason. Darker in color than Mary Brand. The petals have good substance and it has good qualifications for a cut flower variety. Its garden habit is good for planting in a border.

3 to 5 eye divisions only.....\$5.00

#### MRS. DEANE FUNK (Brand)

A most successful rose pink variety which blooms very prolifically in my garden. It is very much admired as a garden flower and is most excellent for indoor decoration. I recommend it to my customers.

1 eye division.....\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

1 year plant...... 2.00

#### MRS. EDWARD HARDING (Shaylor)—9.3

This early blooming white variety is the original \$100.00 peony. Its blooms are excellent in the show room and for interior decoration and its landscape value is good.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### MRS. E. J. SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

This pink variety has something of the Phyllis Kelway form, but it is not so heavy and it is a good landscape variety. It shows some stamens at center and collar.

1 eye division......\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

#### MRS. F. D. ROOSEVELT (Franklin)

A very beautiful pale pink peony with a cup-shape center which shows no stamens. Excellent stiff stems of good height and with vigorous foliage. A most attractive variety which does not fade out entirely.

# MRS. FRANK BEACH (Brand)

A late blooming, ivory white variety. The blooms are large and flat. The petals are long and narrow with some of the lacy effect of Jubilee. I am glad it has a much better stem than that famous variety. Free blooming and fragrant.

1 eye division......\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

# MRS. GEORGE RAWSON (Shaylor)

A tall cream white full double variety with some pink remaining at its cup-shape center. Shows no stamens. Has stiff stems and remarkable quality in its petals. One of the best Shaylor varieties.

2 year plant.....\$3.00

#### MRS. HARRIET GENTRY (Brand)—9.1

One of the latest blooming white peonies which is of perfect rose type. The petals are large and of very good quality and the blooms often show the peculiar tints we find in Solange. Not often seen in peony shows on account of its very late season.

#### MRS. J. H. NEELEY (Neeley)

Our 1940 blooming season in Van Wert was an extremely cloudy one and this famous variety opened in its own beautiful soft pink color without the necessity of being bagged in advance. When covered with bags, the flowers, when brought indoors and uncovered, show a richness in tone which is not excelled and I sometimes believe is not even equaled by any other peony. It is evidently quite scarce and I hope as many enthusiasts as can secure it will plant small divisions of it and give it the careful attention which I believe its beauty and outstanding quality of petalage deserve.

#### MRS. JOHN M. GOOD (Good & Welch)

An early pure white double variety which blooms with many laterals. The flowers have no stamens at the center and the strong stems and graceful laterals give the plant splendid landscape value.

1 eye division.....\$2.00 2 eye division.....\$2.50

#### MRS. J. V. EDLUND (Edlund)

This variety was in the Court of Honor at the National Peony Show in Rochester, Minnesota. It is a white, full double, and somewhat cup-shaped variety which blooms late in the season. I give it my highest recommendation.

2 year plant.....\$8.00

#### MRS. LIVINGSTON FARRAND (Nicholls)

For the last three seasons this true pink peony has been the highest priced and most sought for variety in American gardens. Its color is an improvement upon Walter Faxon. It is quite free blooming, apparently vigorous, and has no lavender tone in its color. I can now offer it at a lower price than it has been sold in any former season and I hope that within two or three years I can include it in my one eye divisions.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$40.00

# MRS. ROMAINE B. WARE (Brand)—9.1

This is a medium size, light pink variety blooming in midseason and it is fragrant. The stems are tall and slender and the general effect is graceful.

# MRS. SHAYLOR FORCE (Shaylor)—9.0

A cream white variety with a faint glow of pale lemon in its center. The petals have extra good substance and its rose shape is attractive.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# MYRTLE GENTRY (Brand)—9.1

This is as near a perfect peony as I have growing in my garden. It has great vigor and retains its green foliage longer than any other. It is of rose form, light pink to white in color with tints of salmon in its petals. The stems are strong and, best of all, it has the fragrance of a tea rose.

# NANCY DOLMAN (Vories)—9.1

A large, very tall, double pink peony with good petals and a very satisfactory stem. To get the best blooms it should be disbudded. It blooms late in the season.

1 eye division......\$1.00 2 eye division.....\$1.25

#### NELL SHAYLOR (Shaylor)

A splendid size double white peony showing carmine spots on the middle petals and stamens at the center of the flower. It has good landscape value and is first class for interior decoration.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

#### NICK SHAYLOR (Shaylor & Allison)

A very large blush pink peony with a suggestion of Solange color. The size and quality of this peony give it the right of being exhibited in a contest with all the best peonies in the world. This season (1940) it occupied a place in the Court of Honor in the Rochester National Peony Show.

1 eye division......\$3.00 2 eye division.....\$4.00

# NYMPHAEA (Thurlow)—8.8

A semi-double creamy white variety which shows stamens. It has the charm which its name (water lily) suggests.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

## OCTAVIE DEMAY (Calot)—8.5

This very old, nearly dwarf, pink double peony has some crimson markings on its petals. Its stems are strong enough to carry its blooms. Its color remains with it better than some of the newer, higherpriced varieties. As it is a very good bloomer and

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holds the bloom in good position, it deserves a good recommendation as a landscape variety.

1	eye division		2 eye division
	1 for\$	.30	1 for\$ .40
	2 for	.55	2 for
	3 for	.70	3 for 1.00
	4 for	.85	4 for 1.25

#### OFFICINALIS RUBRA

This is the name of the very first peony I ever saw, some sixty or seventy years ago. This species, Officinalis, was originated in Europe and hereafter instead of calling this kind of peony Officinalis I will call it European. This European peony comes in white, pink, and red but the red variety is very much more vigorous than the white and the pink. I here offer Officinalis Rubra (European Rubra) at 75c per root. As the roots are not exactly like the Chinensis or Chinese peony roots I cannot offer them in strictly one eye and two eye divisions. I suggest that every purchaser give these roots plenty of water at least twice during the months of September and October.

#### OPAL (Pleas)—8.5

Next to Jubilee and Elwood Pleas, this is the greatest peony Mrs. Pleas originated. In rich loam soil, this pale rose-pink variety blooms very abundantly and carries its blooms gracefully. Its delicate opalescent shades make it a favorite with many people.

1 eye division.....\$ .35 2 eye division.....\$ .50

#### OTHELLO (Lemoine)

A very dark metallic red peony, a rather slow growing variety. It is a very unusual color and it is interesting because it is, I believe, the only red variety introduced by Lemoine.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division......\$ .75

#### PALLAS (Terry)—8.2

A pink peony of low growing habit and splendid quality petals. The stems are strong and where a low growing variety can be used, it is very desirable. I am glad to recommend it very highly.

1 eye division.....\$ .35 2 eye division.....\$ .50

#### PASTEUR (Crousse)—8.4

A peony with a delightful shade of pink whose blooms have Jubilee form and beauty and whose stems have a little more strength. It blooms very prolifically.

1 eye division.....\$ .35 2 eye division.....\$ .50

# PHILIPPE RIVOIRE (Riviere)—9.2

A medium-sized, full double, red, late mid-season peony which, for fifteen years, has maintained its place as the best red variety in the world. It has a pleasing odor, the color holds well and the stems are strong enough to hold the medium-sized blooms. It has my unqualified recommendation as a prize winner and as a landscape variety.

# PHYLLIS KELWAY (Kelway)—9.0

In my judgment, this is one of the great peonies of the world. It is semi-double with a very bright shade of pink which carries well on the landscape and which does not fade out entirely even in the brightest sunshine. It has many laterals and it blooms through a very long season. It is one of the few peonies which has my unqualified recommendation as a variety to take to the National Peony Show and also as a landscape variety.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00 2 year plant...... 2.00

# PRESIDENT COOLIDGE (Brand)

This excellent late pink peony is very near the same color as Blanche King. The stems are strong and of sufficient strength to hold up the large blooms so that this variety is both a prize winner and a landscape variety.

# PRESIDENT WILSON (Thurlow)—9.3

For many years I have believed this to be the very best double pink variety from the famous Thurlow garden. Its color is beautiful, the size is splendid and the stems, after being properly disbudded, will hold the main blooms gracefully.

# PRIMEVERE (Lemoine)—8.6

This double peony has pink guard petals when it first opens, but these soon fade to pure white. The interior petals open a very light yellow just the same color as those on Laura Dessert. However, both of these varieties should have their buds covered with heavy paper bags from the time they begin to show color until they are in full bloom, when they should be cut from the plant, carried indoors and the paper bags removed. The peony enthusiast will then have in his possession genuine yellow peonies which will hold their color for two or three days if they are not exposed to too strong a light.

# RACHEL (Lemoine)—8.3

A late midseason rose pink peony with fairly good stems. This, I believe, is a very reliable grower and holds its color much better than many other pink varieties.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### RAOUL DESSERT (Dessert)—9.0

This peony is in the lottery class as far as reliability of producing blooms is concerned, but I believe that is its only liability. Its great assets are the tan tone in its shade of pink and the quality of its petals. I consider it a very interesting variety.

1 eye division......\$ .75 2 eye division......\$1.00

#### REV. H. TRAGITT (Brand)

This is a semi-dwarf white variety and it blooms very prolifically and deserves a very high rating

for the extra large blooms which in some respects resemble those of Le Cygne. The stems are of uniform height and support the large blooms so well that it is an unusually good landscape variety. It is also a general purpose peony and its sales are satisfactory to growers. Small divisions only.

1 eye division.....\$1.25 2 eye division.....\$1.50

# RICHARD CARVEL (Brand)—8.8

I have grown this variety many years and cannot praise it too highly. It is the earliest good double red peony to bloom in my garden. It has a long blooming season. It carries its flowers better than any other early red peony. Karl Rosenfield has stiffer stems, but Richard Carvel multiplies more rapidly and seems to me to possess more beauty both in the show room and on the landscape. Again I saw I recommend it. It is the most reliable red peony for Memorial Day in this latitude.

1	e;	ye d	livision		2 e	ye d	livision	
	1	for		\$ .50	1	for		\$ .75
	2	for		.75	<b>2</b>	for		1.10
	3	for		1.00	3	for	/	1.35
	6	for		1.75	6	for		2.50
	12	for		3.00	12	for		4.50

#### ROBERT E. LEE (Brand)

This is a pure snow white peony of medium size and fine form. It was named for the great Southern soldier and scholar and I hope its habits and growth will be especially well adapted to the Southern States.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$10.00

#### ROSA BONHEUR (Dessert)—9.0

This is undoubtedly one of the very good late blooming pink peonies. It has a splendid rating and a most excellent record.

1 year plant......\$1.00

#### ROSAMOND GRANT (Brand)

A late midseason variety with the shade of salmon pink which pleases all peony lovers. The plant is thrifty and a good bloomer and I believe will be in good demand when the public has had an opportunity to see it.

3 to 5 eye divisions only......\$5.00

#### ROSE SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—9.1

This fine Shaylor variety has stiff stems and possibly more landscape value than any other Shaylor variety. Its color is pale flesh-pink with some crimson markings on the petals. I hope landscape architects will give this variety particular attention. Very good for the show room as well as the landscape.

1 eye division......\$ .75 2 eye division......\$1.00

#### SARAH K. THURLOW (Thurlow)—9.1

A medium size delicate pink variety changing to pearly white, but retaining the pink at the center. On first opening it resembles Tourangelle somewhat. The stems are long and slender but support the flower. Very late bloomer. Fragrant.

1	eye division\$	.75	2	eye	division	\$1.00
1	vear plant					2.00

#### SHATTUCK (Brand)

This new red double peony came from Mr. Brand's garden. It made a magnificent showing a few years ago at the National Peony Show in Des Moines, the same show at which Prairie Afire was the outstanding new Japanese variety. Both of these new varieties are rapid multipliers in the garden and this one is now offered at a very attractive new price. I recommend Shattuck very highly for its bloom and

## SHAWNEE CHIEF (Bigger)

I have been growing this new red variety for four years and it has more garden value than any other red variety I know. By this I mean the habit of the plant, the manner in which it carries its blooms, and the vigor of its growth. The color is new to me, being a medium red and I do not know of a variety with which to compare it. The plant has very unusual value for landscape use.

1 eye division.....\$3.00 1 year plant......\$7.50

#### SOLANGE (Lemoine)—9.7

A cream peony with a very rich tan color at its center and with petals of supremely excellent quality. Although its roots are usually somewhat deformed, yet all of my plants produce good blooms regardless of the ugly roots. I find that planting Solange in stiff clay helps to invigorate and correct the roots. 

## SOUV. de A. MILLET (Millet)—9.0

A very attractive new red double peony with extra long stems. It is strictly a cutting garden variety and should not appear on a lawn or in a border.

1 eye division....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### SOUV. de LOUIS BIGOT (Dessert)—9.1

This is a very large pink peony of almost Walter Faxon color. Its value is in the show room and for use in interior decoration. The flowers are larger than Walter Faxon's and the side buds should be taken off while still very small.

#### SUSAN WHITE (Brand)

Large blooms on long stems. Pure white double flowers showing stamens among the petals and at the center of the flower. Good for interior decoration and the show room, but the stems are not strong enough for a landscape variety. For landscape use I suggest that all lateral buds be taken off when very small.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

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#### SUZETTE (Dessert)—8.2

This is one of the six best pink landscape varieties in my collection. I can recommend it for both beauty and sturdiness.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

# TEMPEST (Auten)

Very brilliant dark red semi-double variety with strong stems. Mr. Auten, its originator, believes it is the best semi-double red on the market.

3 to 5 eye divisions......\$5.00

#### THERESE (Dessert)—9.8

This pink peony, originated in 1904, has a rating of 9.8 which makes it the highest rated pink peony in the world. It blooms early in the season, has good foliage, and best of all, it has strong stems. I believe everybody loves this particular variety as I know of no bad habit or quality. Purchasers are fortunate to be able to buy the best pink peony in the world at such a modest price.

# THOMAS C. THURLOW (Thurlow)—9.1

A very light pink peony of excellent size and quality with a slight salmon tone. This variety needs special care and possibly a special treatment of the soil as it is not easy to bring it to perfection.

#### THURA HIRES (Nicholls, 1938)

A large double white variety of rose shape and with splendid petals. There is a light yellow glow at the base of the wide petals. It blooms in late midseason on strong stiff stems and it is vigorous, thrifty, and fragrant.

#### TOURANGELLE (Dessert)—9.4

In 1935 and again in 1937, this beautiful peony had more charm in its form and in its color than any other peony in my garden. This was because during its blooming season, the sky was overcast and the sun did not take from it the most beautiful pink color carried by any peony. But with bright sunshine this variety is pure white and shows its beautiful pink colors only when the opening buds are completely covered by thick paper bags which are not removed until after the stems are cut and the flowers. removed until after the stems are cut and the flowers carried indoors.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

2 year plant.....

## TRAGEDY (Hollis)—8.0

A late, tall, red, double peony whose quality and color in some years are equal to those in Philippe Rivoire. It is, however, not so reliable a variety as Philippe Rivoire and should not be purchased to supplant that variety.

1 eye division.....\$ .75 2 eye division.....\$1.00

# TRAIL'S END (Neeley)

This splendid fluffy landscape variety opens a soft pink and changes to white when fully opened. The fact that the rain passes through the loosely arranged petals increases its landscape value. It has my recommendation.

#### UMBELLATA ROSEA (Dessert)—7.4

This very light pink and white double peony and its sister variety Edulis Superba usually open the peony season in Van Wert, and both are very desirable in any commercial garden whose owner desires to sell peonies on Memorial Day. If planted along main highways near large cities they will bring additional income to any owner who has them blooming on or before May 30th. I recommend both varieties for growing for the sale of their bloom only. Later varieties have more quality and beauty but often do not bring as good returns as these two faithful old varieties.

1	eye division	2 eye division
	1 for\$ .30	1 for\$ .40
	2 for	2 for
	3 for	3 for 1.00
	4 for	4 for 1.25
	5 for 1.00	5 for 1.50

#### VICTOIRE DE LA MARNE (Dessert)

A large red double peony with an unusual sheen of violet which places it in a different class from any other red peony. A striking bloom of this variety was selected as the best red double peony at the Rochester National Peony Show.

1	eye d	ivision .7	5   2   eye	division\$	1.00
3	to 5 e	eye division			2.50

# VICTOR'S CROWN (Neeley)

This very large pink peony approaches the variety Mrs. J. H. Neeley in quality, beauty, and value. In very bright weather with full sunshine when its color changes to white it retains its very beautiful pink center and for that reason it may be more valuable even than the other variety. It is a show variety, a landscape variety, and is also most excellent for interior decoration. It is one of my 5 X varieties which is the highest rating I place on any of my peonies.

1	eye d	ivision	\$3.50	2	eye	division	\$5.00
1	year	plant					7.50
2	vear	plant					10.00

# VICTORY CHATEAU THIERRY (Brand)—8.9

This very large and very beautiful new pink peony has received, I believe, more commendations than any other of the new peonies from Mr. Brand's garden. I, also, am glad to sound its praises. In addition to its show room value, which is very great, I believe its value on the landscape will be even greater. A row of thirty plants in full bloom in my own garden gave me the same kind of thrill which a landscape gardener delights in receiving when he looks over his plantings in his customers' gardens. Not more than three divisions to any one customer.

1 eye division......\$1.50 2 eye division.....\$2.00

# WALTER FAXON (Richardson)-9.3

A medium-size variety with the most attractive pink color in the whole peony world except the variety Mrs. Livingston Farrand. Its stems are strong enough to carry the blooms gracefully and its outstanding color makes it a great favorite with garden visitors. I believe that when grown in clumps, it will draw as much attention as some of the taller landscape varieties. The very large size of many of the blooms of this variety at the Rochester Show leads me to believe that it will respond to the use of its favorite fertilizer.

1	eye d	ivision\$	.75	2 eye	division	\$1.00
1	year	plant				1.50
2	year	plant				2.00

#### W. E. BLANCHETTE (Brand)

This is a new red variety which is really a rich deep crimson. It is one of the largest red varieties. Semirose in type with loosely arranged petals which add to its landscape value. I believe it is exactly the kind of a red variety which will fill a space not fully occupied now by Philippe Rivoire.

#### W. F. CHRISTMAN (Franklin)—8.8

A very light pink peony of good quality, attractive color and with good stems. It is useful both on the landscape and in the cutting garden.

1	ey	ye d	ivision		2 e	ye d	ivision	
	1	for		\$ .50	1	for		.75
	2	for		.75	2	for		1.10
	3	for		1.00	3	for		1.35
	6	for		1.75	6	for		2.50
	12	for		3.00	12	for		4.50

#### W. F. TURNER (Shaylor)

This is Shaylor's best red variety. It is taller than Philippe Rivoire and for that particular reason has value on the landscape. Its color is known as dark crimson and it shows yellow stamens.

1 eye division.....\$ .50 2 eye division.....\$ .75

#### WILL McCLELLAND (Shaylor)

A medium sized pink bloom. Double, showing red carpels at the center. The color is a beautiful shade of pink which does not entirely fade out in the sunshine. There are few laterals and I believe that its usefulness is in landscape work.

1 year plant......\$3.00

# WILTON LOCKWOOD (Shaylor)-8.8

The very tallest pink peony I have growing in my garden, but it must have support or should be grown only in the cutting garden. You will notice it has an excellent rating and probably deserves it, but my advice is to grow it in the cutting garden only.

2 year plant......\$2.00

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# VARIETIES OF PEONIES OF WHICH I HAVE VERY LITTLE STOCK

The number of plants of each of the following varieties is limited and it is probable that the stock of some of them will be exhausted early in the season.

ADONIS (Sass) A light pink double peony with a yellow an collar.	
1 eye divisionARCTURUS (Auten)	.\$1.00
Rich dark red single variety.  1 year plant	\$2.50
CORNELIA SHAYLOR (Shaylor)—9.1 Pale rose double variety.  1 year plant	\$2.00
EDWIN C. SHAW (Thurlow) Splendid pink double variety.	
1 eye division	\$1.00
ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON (Sass)  A very tall, large size, light pink bloom.  1 year plant	\$1.50
ESTAFETTE (Dessert) Pink blooms with silver tips. 1 year plant	\$1.25
GOOD'S IDEAL (Good & Reese)  Flesh pink double variety with apricot tint.  1 year plant	\$2.50
LA FRANCE (Lemoine) Apple blossom pink double variety. 1 eye division	\$ .50
LUELLA SHAYLOR (Shaylor) Creamy yellow double variety. 1 eye division	\$1.00
MADAME EMILE GALLE (Crousse) Light rose pink double variety. Fragrant.  1 eye division	\$ .30
NEW DELIGHT (Neeley) Light pink double. Good tall stems.  1 year plant	
PRIAM (Sass)  A brilliant deep crimson double variety.  1 eye division	
STAR OF BEAUTY (Neeley) A creamy pink, full double bloom. 1 year plant	\$2.50
WHITE BEAUTY (Auten) An early white double variety. 1 eye division	

# VARIETIES TO BE FOUND IN NEXT YEAR'S CATALOG

The following varieties are now growing in my garden and I hope to offer them for sale in my 1941 catalogue.

APOLLO (Sass) Pink Double CAROLYNE MAE NELSON (Sass) Crimson Maroon Double

CORAL QUEEN (Sass) Pink Double DELIGHT (Sass) Pink Japanese DIANA (Sass) White Double EVENING STAR (Sass) White Double FLORENCE BOND (Gumm) White Double GRACE BATSON (Sass) Pink Double HARI-AI-NIN (Babcock) Red Japanese JAPANESE BEAUTY (Sass) Red Japanese LONGFELLOW (Brand) Red Double LOTTIE DAWSON REA (Rea) Pink Double LUCY SHAYLOR (Shaylor) Cream Double LUETTA PFEIFFER (Brand) Flesh Double MADELON (Dessert) Pink Double MERRIMAC (Thurlow) Pink Double MRS. CHARLES GILBERT (Shaylor) Pink Double MRS. C. S. MINOT (Minot) Pink Double MRS. F. A. GOODRICH (Brand) Pink Double MRS. FERN LOUGH (Gumm) Pink Double MRS. JAMES KELWAY (Kelway) White Double MRS. JOHN M. KLEITSCH (Brand) Pink Double MOUNT EVEREST (Sass) White Double ODILE (Doriat) Pink Double PICO (Freeborn) White Single PRAIRIE AFIRE (Brand) Rose Japanese QUEEN OF HAMBURG (Sass) Pink Double QUEEN OF SHEBA (Sass) Rose Double ROSABEL (Sass) Rose Red Double ROSETTE (Dessert) Pink Double RUTH ELIZABETH (Brand) Red Double SEA SHELL (Sass) Shell Pink Single SENSATION (Sass) Pink Double SHIRINE (Brethour) Light Pink Double WHITE EAGLE (Sass) White Double

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# Lyman D. Glasscock and his Hybrid Peonies

About sixty or seventy years ago when I was a small boy, the only peony in our garden was a dark red double one which grew splendidly every year and produced blooms in abundance. Its blooming period was usually about May 25th to June 10th and its flowers were cut for Decoration Day, which we now usually speak of as Memorial Day. There is a white one and a pink one of the same species, but neither of them grow so vigorously as the red one. The botanical name of these early blooming varieties is Officinalis and as all Officinalis peonies originated in Europe, I will call them European varieties.

There are thousands of varieties of later blooming peonies which in this latitude sometimes produce blooms for Memorial Day but whose early blooming date cannot be absolutely relied upon. These thousands of later blooming varieties are called Chinensis peonies which means that they originated in China and in this catalogue I speak of them as Chinese varieties.

About twenty years ago or possibly a little less, Lyman D. Glasscock, whose address is R.F.D. No. 2, Elwood, Illinois, began to try to cross the European and Chinese species of peonies for the express purpose of procuring new varieties of peonies which would produce blooms on or before May 30th for use on Memorial Day.

Every member of the Peony Society who attends the National Peony Shows has been interested in seeing the results of Mr. Glasscock's efforts in hybridizing or crossing these two species. All the new varieties which appear in his garden as a result of these crossings are called hybrid peonies.

At our 1940 National Peony Show he exhibited over two hundred and possibly even over three hundred individual hybrid seedling blooms whose parentage was a combination of both the European and Chinese species. His display of single type, Japanese type and double type hybrid peonies excited an interest as great as that manifested in the Court of Honor. During the last five years particularly, Mr. Glasscock has produced hybrid varieties of which he and every member of the Peony Society can be very proud.

I asked him last year to select for me six or eight of the very best hybrid varieties in his garden and I gladly sent him a check for them. Every one of them bloomed for me this year and all peony enthusiasts who saw them were as enthusiastic as I over Mr. Glasscock's success.

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